



The United States Army Band

"Pershing's Own"

Colonel Gary F. Lamb
Leader & Commander

Captain Jim R. Keene

Associate Bandmaster
Director, The U.S. Army Chorus

CPT Jim Keene is a native of Albuquerque, New Mexico. He received a Bachelor of Music degree in Piano Performance from the University of New Mexico. He graduated with honors and received a Masters of Music in Instrumental Conducting from the Meadows School of the Arts at Southern Methodist University, Dallas, Texas.

Captain Keene now serves as the director/conductor of the United States Army Chorus, Washington, D.C. He has served as the Student Company commander at the Armed Forces School of Music, Norfolk, Virginia. He has served as the Executive Officer both of the U.S. Army Europe (USAREUR) Band and Chorus, Heidelberg, Germany and the Army Ground Forces/Forces Command (FORSCOM) Band, Atlanta, Georgia.

Prior to joining the Army he served as assistant conductor of the SMU Symphony and was orchestra conductor on staff of the SMU International Conservatory Summer Festival in Taos, N.M. He worked as a violinist, pianist, and Music director of the Albuquerque Civic Light Opera. He has been a clinician to bands, orchestras, and choruses in Albuquerque, Dallas, Tampa, Atlanta, and Heidelberg, Germany. He is the winner of the Louis Xavier Schmidt first prize in piano and the Paul Velucci prize in conducting. He has been an accompanist at Southern Methodist University, the Juilliard School, Manhattan School of Music, and the Eastman School of Music.

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